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RESOLUTION NO. 84-21

BY: **DEBORAH LIME**
(By Request – Safety Director)

A RESOLUTION SUBMITTING THE QUESTION OF A TAX RENEWAL LEVY FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING AND MAINTAINING MOTOR VEHICLES, COMMUNICATIONS, AND OTHER EQUIPMENT USED DIRECTLY IN THE OPERATION OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT, AND THE PAYMENT OF SALARIES OF PERMANENT POLICE PERSONNEL, INCLUDING THE PAYMENT OF THE POLICE OFFICER EMPLOYERS' CONTRIBUTION REQUIRED UNDER SECTION 742.33 OF THE OHIO REVISED CODE, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, the manpower level of the police department of the City of Parma is below the national average for municipalities of similar size; and

WHEREAS, there is an urgent need to maintain and update the police motor fleet, communications and other equipment used directly in the operation of the police department; and

WHEREAS, it is now necessary to renew the tax levy on the ballot to maintain appropriate staffing levels of permanent police personnel and to provide and maintain equipment used directly in the operation of the City of Parma Police Department; and

WHEREAS, the revenue derived from this renewal would ease the burden now placed on the general fund; and

WHEREAS, the levy renewal of two (2) mills, in excess of the ten mill limitation, is necessary to provide adequate funding for police operations with the City of Parma.

NOW, THEREFORE; BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PARMA, STATE OF OHIO:

Section 1. It is hereby found, determined and declared that the amount of taxes which may be raised by the City of Parma, within the ten-mill limitation by levies on the current tax duplicate will be insufficient to provide an adequate amount for the necessary requirements of the City of Parma, and it is necessary to levy a tax in excess of such limitation for the purpose of providing and maintaining motor vehicles, communications, and other equipment used directly in the operation of the police department, and the payment of salaries of permanent police personnel, including the payment of the police officer employers' contribution required under Section 742.33 of the Ohio Revised Code, at the rate of two (2) mills for each one dollar valuation for a period of five (5) years.

Section 2. The question of the levy renewal of two (2) mills upon the tax list and duplicate for five (5) years, beginning with the 2022 tax list and duplicate and with the first distribution of the proceed of said levy to the City in the calendar year 2023, for the purpose of providing and maintaining motor vehicles, communications, and other equipment used directly in the operation of the police department, and the payment of salaries of permanent police personnel, including the payment of the police officer employers' contribution required under Section 742.33 of the Ohio Revised Code, be submitted to the electors of the City of Parma at the General Election date on November 2, 2021, and said election shall be held at the regular places of voting in said City as established by the Board of Elections of Cuyahoga County, Ohio, or otherwise, within the time permitted by law and shall be conducted, canvassed and certified in the manner provided by law.

Section 3. The form of ballot to be cast at such election on the question of such a tax shall be substantially as follows:

PROPOSED TAX LEVY (RENEWAL)
CITY OF PARMA

A Majority Affirmative Vote is Necessary for Passage

A renewal of a tax for the benefit of the City of Parma for the purpose of providing and maintaining motor vehicles, communications, and other equipment used directly in the operation of the Police Department, and the payment of salaries of permanent police personnel, including the payment of the police officer employers' contribution required under Section 742.33 of the Ohio Revised Code, at a rate not exceeding two (2) mills for each one dollar of valuation, which amounts to twenty cents (\$0.20) for each one hundred dollars of valuation, for five (5) years, commencing in 2022, first due in calendar year 2023.

	FOR THE TAX LEVY
	AGAINST THE TAX LEVY

Section 4. That the Clerk of Council is hereby authorized and directed to request that notice of said election be given as provided by law.

Section 5. That the Clerk of Council is hereby directed immediately to certify a copy of this Resolution to the Board of Elections of Cuyahoga County.

Section 6. That it is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the adoption of this Resolution were adopted in an open meeting of this Council, and that all deliberations of this Council and any of its committees that resulted in such formal action were in meetings open to the public in compliance with all legal requirements.

Section 7. That this Resolution is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health, safety, and welfare of the City of Parma, and for the further reason that this measure is necessary to submit this Resolution to the Board of Elections 90 days prior to the date of the General Election as provided in the Ohio Revised Code, and that it is urgently necessary to receive revenue for the reasons specified in this Resolution for the financial stability of the City, and this Resolution shall become immediately effective upon receiving the affirmative vote of two-thirds of all members elected to Council and approval of the Mayor, otherwise from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

PASSED: _____ PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL

ATTEST: _____ APPROVED: _____
CLERK OF COUNCIL

FILED WITH THE MAYOR: _____ MAYOR, CITY OF PARMA, OHIO